

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-#14

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVERSIDE, IN THE COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 201 PEDDLING AND SOLICITING TO ADOPT AND CREATE A "NO KNOCK LIST" TO PERMIT TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS TO REGISTER AND PROHIBIT SOLICITING, CANVASSING, HAWKING AND PEDDLING ON THEIR PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the Township of Riverside regulates peddling and soliciting within the Township of Riverside, by and through Chapter 201 of the Code of the Township of Riverside; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to enact § 201-8A to create a "No Knock List" to permit Township Residents to register with the Police Department indicating that they do not want hawkers, peddlers, solicitors or canvassers to approach their homes and/or seek contact with the occupants of the registered home; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Riverside finds that it is in its best interest to amend Chapter 201 in order to provide Township Residents with the option of registering for a "No Knock List;" and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Riverside, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. A §201-8A shall be added to the Code of the Township of Riverside and shall read as follows:

A. The Police Clerk shall prepare a list of addresses of those premises where the owner and/or occupant has notified the Police Clerk that canvassing, peddling, itinerant vending, and door-to-door sales enterprises are not permitted on the premises (hereinafter referred to as the Riverside Township "No-Knock" Registry"). Notification shall be completion of a form available at the Police Department during normal business hours. The list shall be updated monthly.

B. Any owner and/or occupant who has requested enlistment on the Riverside Township No-Knock Registry pursuant to Subsection A herein shall be able to procure from the Police Department a sticker for display at his/her/its premises indicating enlistment on the Riverside Township No-Knock Registry. The first sticker shall be provided free of charge and may be picked up in person during regular business hours. If a replacement sticker is required, the individual may pick up a replacement at the Police Department for a fee of \$5.00.

C. The Police Clerk shall distribute the current Riverside Township No-Knock Registry to the Township Clerk monthly. The Township Clerk shall distribute a copy of the No-Knock Registry to a licensee at the time of issuance of a license to peddle, canvass, itinerant vend or otherwise door-to-door sell, pursuant to the provisions of this chapter. The licensee shall not peddle, canvass,

itinerant vend or conduct door-to-door sales at any premises identified on the then-current Riverside Township No-Knock Registry.

D. Although the most current list of registrants on the Riverside Township "No Knock" Registry shall be provided by the Township Clerk, it is the responsibility of the canvasser, itinerant vendor, or solicitor to have the most up-to-date list prior to performing their business.

E. The provisions of this §201-8A shall not apply to exempt organizations as described in §201-5 of this chapter.

F. Any person violating the terms of this section, whether as principal or agent or employee of another, shall, upon conviction in the Municipal Court of the Township of Riverside, be subject to one or more of the following: a fine not exceeding \$1,000; a term of imprisonment not exceeding 90 days; or a period of community service not exceeding 90 days. Any person or company violating the terms of this section shall also be subject to a permanent revocation of any license issued under the within chapter.

Section 2. A §201-2(L) shall be added to the Code of the Township of Riverside and shall read as follows:

No licensee may knowingly enter private property that has displayed a "no knock" sticker or is on the No Knock Registry.

The above Ordinance was passed by the Township Committee of Riverside, New Jersey, at a meeting of said Committee held on the November 20, 2017, and was taken up for a second reading and final passage at a meeting of said Committee held on the December 18, 2017.


Susan M. Dydek, RMC
Township Clerk